

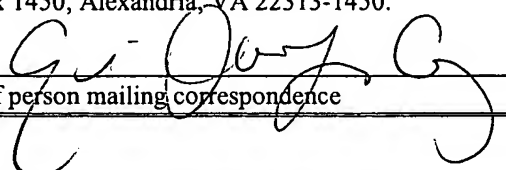
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Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, kindly amend the application as follows. Please note that all page and line number references in the present amendment refer to the concurrently filed English language translation of International Application No. PCT/JP2005/000705, of which the above-captioned application is the U.S. National Stage.